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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Redesigned alternate certification programs, regular undergraduate teacher preparation programs, graduate programs for teachers, and graduate programs for educational leaders were submitted to the Board of Regents and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education during November 2001 for Cycle One Evaluations, April 2002 for Cycle Two Evaluations, September 2002 for Cycle Three Evaluations, February 2003 for Cycle Four Evaluations, March 2004 for Cycle Five Evaluations, September 2004 for Cycle Six Evaluations, and February 18, 2005 for Cycle Seven Evaluations. These programs were assessed by external evaluators and reports which contained the recommendations of the external evaluators were disseminated during January 2002, June 2002, December 2002, April 2003, April 2004, December 2004, and May 2005.

STAFF COMMENTS

The BoR/BESE/LAICU Program Review Committee will meet on June 15, 2006 to review information submitted by Louisiana State University and A&M College and Northwestern State University to determine approval of their programs. If all stipulations have been addressed, the programs will be referred to the Board of Regents for approval on June 21, 2006.